WASHINGTON (November 19) - Congressman Spencer Bachus (AL-6) wants to remind citizens in the 6<sup>th</sup> District that they have a chance to send holiday cards to U.S. troops, their families, and veterans during this Christmas season.

At the U.S. Capitol today, Bachus signed cards for U.S. service and family members and veterans as part of the American Red Cross Holiday Mail for Heroes program. The holiday cards are collected by the Red Cross and delivered both domestically and to overseas bases. More than 1.4 million cards were received last year and the Red Cross plans to collect even more this year.

"This is a wonderful program that allows us to send a special thank you to our troops and their families during the holiday season. It means a lot to them to know their service and sacrifice is appreciated, especially if they are separated from loved ones during the holidays. My hope is that our brave troops and veterans and their families will receive many warm greetings from the 6<sup>th</sup> District through Holiday Mail for Heroes," Bachus said.

Holiday cards can be sent to the following address through December 7:

**Holiday Mail for Heroes** 

P.O. Box 5456

Capitol Heights, MD 20791-545

Cards should be addressed "Dear Service Member, Family, or Veteran." There is a limit of 15 cards per person or 50 for schools or business groups. Groups of cards should be bundled in single, large envelopes. Signers are requested not to send letters, provide personal information such as home or email addresses, or include inserts.